

John Jay Ennenga

Apr 8, 1940 – Sep 9, 2025

John Jay “Jonny” Ennenga was born, and grew up, in Grand Haven. He graduated with Grand Haven Senior High School’s Class of 1958. Two year later, on March 14, 1960, he married Josephine “Dollie” Tragna, also of Grand Haven.

During his adult years, he pursued a career in western Michigan’s recreational-boating industry, serving as general manager of Barrett Boat Works by 1987 and of Whitehall Landing by 2004. In December 2004, the Michigan Boating Industries Association inducted him into its Hall of Fame, recognizing his longstanding contribution to the industry and his dedication and professionalism.

At the time of his death, John and Dollie were living in Spring Lake. This photo was taken February 27, 2025 on the occasion of their River Street home being designated a historic property by the Village of Spring Lake.

This article has been provided by the GHHS58 Archivist in lieu of a death notice or obituary for John Jay Ennenga, for whom none has yet been found.

***